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PARLIAMENTARY BREEZE.

Labourites and Unemployment.

"UNCONSTITUTIONAL" METHODS THREATENED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, December 13.
The House of Commons adjourned at seven this morning after an all-night sitting, due to obstruction by the Labourites as a protest against the alleged inadequacy of the Government's unemployment measures.

A storm was aroused among the Labourites by Mr. Baldwin moving a closure at 6.30. Loud, angry cries of "Shame" arose, and the Labourite Mr. Kirkwood declared it was a disgrace. He had led the unemployed and been batted in the streets of Glasgow. He would help the unemployed again if necessary. The well-fed Ministers were not going to treat Labour in this fashion. He would not stand it from the best men in England. He asserted the Government had heaped insults on the Labourites, but the Labourites would fight to the death. (Ministerial laughter). They would fight if necessary in the streets. If the Government did not yield to them constitutionally, the Labourites would then take what they asked for unconstitutionally. It would only be the beginning.

The closure was carried by 147 to 61, some Labourites abstaining at the last. The resolution having been carried, Mr. Baldwin introduced the Consolidated Fund Bill amid loud Labour cries of "Shame" and much booing. The sitting then adjourned.

Something of an Up roar.

London, December 13.
There was an uproar in the House of Commons at question time, arising from Mr. Bonar Law's refusal of a demand by Mr. Lansbury that the House should continue its session till some means had been found to relieve the distress of the unemployed. Mr. Lansbury denounced "the calous indifference" of the Ministers with regard to unemployment. Mr. Bonar Law replied that Parliament would not do its utmost, and a continued sitting of Parliament would not help. Several Labourites then, disregarding the Speaker's authority, tried to address the House, amid an uproar. The prohibitionist, Mr. Scrymgeour, was most prominent, and shouted "It is a scandal." He demanded that the House should pay attention to the serious problem of the unemployed.

Mr. Lansbury declared that nothing had been done, and the people were starving, while the House of Commons did not care. The Labourite Mr. Kirkwood passionately attacked Mr. Bonar Law and declared that he was useless and ought to resign. Mr. Scrymgeour, amid a turmoil, appealed to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, but the leader of the Labourites did not intervene. Order was finally restored, after the Speaker had appealed to the members to support the chair and Mr. Bonar Law had pointed out that the matter could not be discussed at question time.

QUESTION OF NAVAL SUPREMACY.

Submarines and Aircraft.

London, December 13.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Becker drew attention to the reports that the United States were going to build the most powerful navy in the world by building smaller ships than specified in the Washington Treaty, and asked what steps it was intended to take in order to see that Britain did not lose her sea supremacy.

Col. Amery replied that no restriction was placed on the contracting Powers with regard to the number of warships they might build in conformity with articles eleven and twelve of the Washington Treaty. The Admiralty could be relied upon to scrutinise carefully the building programmes of other Powers with a view to safeguarding our naval position.

London, December 13.
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Morel, Mr. Bonar Law said the British Government had set no time limit to the ratification of the Washington Treaty, nor, as far as he was aware, had the United States, but the Government was gravely disappointed at the continued delay in ratification by two of the signatory Powers. He was of opinion, however, that it would be premature to consider action by the Government in the event of non-ratification by a signatory, which he sincerely hoped would never arise.

American Interest.

Washington, December 13.
Reporting on the annual naval bill to the House of Representatives, the appropriations committee makes a proposal that the President should negotiate with Britain, France, Italy and Japan for an agreement limiting future construction of all surface and submarine types of warcraft of a tonnage not exceeding ten thousand, and all classes of military and naval aircraft. The committee points out that the disarmament conference had not limited the numbers of smaller warships, and says information has reached Congress that already large building programmes are planned to the maximum permitted under the disarmament agreement, and new and larger types of submersible craft have begun to appear.

It adds that in other words competition is proceeding again where the ratified agreement does not extend, and if unchecked the Government, like all others, will be constrained to launch a new programme to keep abreast with the other Powers.

The committee proposes the provision of fifty-five million dollars in the coming year for the completion of fifty-six warships allowed under the disarmament treaty, being fourteen million more than was recommended in the budget.

BRITAIN'S SILVER COINAGE.

London, December 13.
In the House of Commons a vote of £750,000 to meet the cost of withdrawing the surplus silver coinage was carried by 222 to 131 votes. Mr. Baldwin explained that owing to the increase of silver coin in Britain in wartime the profits during the four years of the war were 12 millions sterling, but after the war the country's currency was vastly larger than was needed.

Mr. G. Stewart urged that the good old honest money should be issued, but Mr. Darbyshire pointed out that if silver coinage represented its full face value it would disappear from the country whenever there was a scarcity of silver.

AMERICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE.

Washington, December 13.
The Governmental Reorganisation Commission has recommended to President Harding the consolidation of the Departments of War and of the Navy in a Department of National Defence, which would function under a member of the Cabinet, assisted by the respective chiefs of the army and navy.

SENSATIONAL PIRACY.

By a Japanese Steamer.

ENTIRE CREW MURDERED.

Tokyo, Dec. 13.—A sensational story of piracy on the high seas by a Japanese steamer of 750 tons, the Taiki Maru, has developed from an alleged voluntary confession by two members of the crew of the steamer which returned to Tokyo Bay a few days ago.

It appears that the Taiki Maru sailed for Alexandrovsk in Sept. and, on approaching the port early in October, boarded two small Russian steamers manned principally by Koreans and murdered the entire crew, also the Captain, who pleaded vainly that his wife and only child were awaiting him ashore. After looting the ships, the pirates returned to the Taiki Maru, which then returned to Tokyo Bay. The Captain escaped to Dairen. The police are most active in carrying out investigations.

JAPANESE PRINCE REGENT.

Ill With Measles.

Tokyo, Dec. 13.—The Prince Regent is ill with measles. Baron Makino, Minister of the Household, says the Regent's condition is not serious.

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL.

London, Dec. 13.—In the Scottish League, Partick Thistle defeated St. Mirren by 4 goals to 1.

CANTON SENSATION.

Two Policemen Killed.

According to the Canton Times, a captain in the Cantonese Army, following an altercation with a ricksha coolie, yesterday afternoon shot and killed two policemen and wounded two others.

It is stated that the officer, whose station is on Honam, crossed the river and on landing took a ricksha for the eastern bund. When he alighted, he had a dispute with the coolie over the fare, and is said to have insulted the latter on being asked for five cents more. The police intervened, and the officer resisted arrest, following which he is said to have killed a patrolman and a sergeant and wounded two other patrolmen.

The affair took place near the Canton-Kowloon Railway, on the eastern bund, and the officer was later arrested by a party of policemen at Maui Fook Maloo.

GANG ROBBERS AT POKFULAM.

Two Houses Entered.

Shortly after midnight last night an opium-seller of Pokfulam, was awakened out of his sleep by hearing the noise of somebody breaking down the door of his neighbour's house. The opium-seller heard his neighbour shout out:

"He went out to get what was the matter and was told by a man armed with a revolver, who told him to keep quiet. He also saw two other men in his neighbour's house."

The thieves collected "swag" to the value of \$116 and then came to the opium-seller's house, where they stole opium to the value of \$67.

THE NEW COLONIAL OFFICE.

London, December 13.

The Duke of Devonshire was entertained to luncheon at the Nigerian Dinner Club. He said his one desire was to pay attention to the legitimate affairs of the Colonial Office and not to extraneous matters, which the somewhat voracious appetite of his predecessor had brought into the Colonial Office. He desired the Colonies to regard him not merely as head of the office but as a friend.

"If you had any anxiety, you can now rest assured that I will not interfere with the man on the spot where he is doing admirable work."

ANOTHER CONSERVATIVE ELECTED.

London, December 13.

In the Portsmouth South bye-election, Colonel Leslie Wilson, Conservative, polled 14,301, and Mr. Thomas, Independent 8,434. The contest was to decide the succession to Major Cayzer, who has resigned.

STERLING EXCHANGE STRENGTHENS.

London, December 13.

A conspicuous feature of the London exchange market is the strength of sterling on New York, attributed primarily to the soundness of British credit. Sterling touched 4.69 and closed at 4.65 1/4.

HARRISONS AND CROSFIELD'S DIVIDEND.

London, December 13.

Messrs. Harrisons and Crosfield declare a dividend on preferred and ordinary shares at the rate of ten per cent per annum, for the six months ending December 31st, less income tax.

M.C.C. TOO STRONG FOR PRETORIA.

Pretoria, December 13.

In a two-day cricket match, Pretoria knocked up 137, Kennedy taking 6 for 19. The M.C.C. replied with 247 for 4. Russell and Carr contributed 77 and 63 respectively.

AUSTRALIAN REPORT CONTRADICTED.

Sydney, December 13.

The Japanese Consul General emphatically denies the report of the acquisition of land on the New South Wales coast by Japanese, cabled yesterday.

SIKI-CARPENTIER RETURN MATCH.

Paris, December 13.

The newspapers state that Siki has signed a contract to meet Carpentier over twenty rounds. The date of the contest has not been fixed.

MORE PASSAGE REDUCTIONS.

London, December 13.

The White Star line announce a reduction of their fares between Liverpool and Australia.

GIVEN AWAY.

The "Telegraph's" Christmas Annual.

This year's Telegraph Christmas Annual, which is to be issued on Saturday and given away free with copies of the newspaper, contains a store of high-class seasonal reading matter.

Among the short stories, all by well-known authors, are the following:—"Rosamond's Fan" by Mrs. Carey Morris, "A Christmas Duel" by Percy James Brebner, "The Hunt for Hilma" by Thomas Cobb, "A Christmas Fairy" written and illustrated by Hilda Cowham, "Cinderella's Christmas Party" by Queenie Scott-Hopper, "A Christmas Visitor" by L. E. Sillman, etc.

Other contributions are by Marguerite Maynard, Louis Wain (the famous cat sketch artist), B. L. Agnew, Cicely Fox Smith, Thomas Jay (the well-known Punch humorist), Henry E. Dudeney and Kennaway James.

The magazine abounds with illustrations, humorous and otherwise, whilst there is a fund of general reading, mostly relative to the season which has prompted the publication.

Altogether the book is one which, we are sure, will prove extremely acceptable to all our readers.

It is being given away on Saturday.

INTERRUPTED WEDDING.

Bridegroom a Leper.

Our Canton correspondent reports an extraordinary incident which has just occurred during a wedding ceremony at Shaki, in the Hangshan district.

Whilst the ceremony was in progress, the police arrived on the scene and arrested the bridegroom, alleging that he was a leper. He was taken to a hospital, where an examination showed that he was leprosy.

Later it was discovered that the bridegroom was formerly an inmate of a Lepers' Hospital in Canton, but that he recently escaped and proceeded to his parents' home.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The Italian Grand Opera Company are playing "Rigoletto" at the Star Theatre to-night—Page 12.

There are two godowns to let—Page 4.

The Hongkong Art Club will be at home to members on the 19th inst.—Page 4.

Max Linder is appearing at the World Theatre to-day in "Seven Years' Bad Luck"—Pages 3 and 12.

A notice concerning the incurring of debt by the crew of the s.s. "Nassa" appears on Page 4.

LISTEN!

When time is money, advertising saves it.

The star attraction at the Coronet is Harold Lloyd in "Grandma's Boy"—Page 12.

From the 18th to the 23rd inst. Mackintosh's store will remain open until 6 p.m.—Page 8.

A special dollar dance is being held at the Kowloon Theatre to-night—Page 12.

Anderson's advertise "Bubble Books" for the kiddies—Page 3.

There will be a dance at the Palace Hotel on Saturday night—Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 3 1/2d.

Lighting Up Time.

Lighting Up Time to-day 5.41 p.m.

FRANCE OPPOSES MORATORIUM.

Will Act Separately.

DEBATES IN PARLIAMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, December 13.
M. Poincare, interviewed by the Petit Parisien, emphasised that he could not grant a moratorium to Germany without some pledge. He was convinced that even if the deliberations in January did not result in an agreement there would be no Anglo-French break. Doubtless there would be a nasty period, but Britain was beginning to realise France's situation and the impossibility of her waiting longer for reparations.

There had never been any question in London of seizing any specific pledge. It was certain that whatever action was decided on, it would not be necessary to call up a single man. It was equally certain that the time for uttering threats which would never be executed had passed. France was determined to act separately, even if before January 15 the Reparations Commission voted in favour of a moratorium, but anyhow would not act before January 15.

Lords Discuss Debts and Reparations.

London, December 13.

Representative views by non-Government Peers on reparations and inter-Allied debts questions were voiced in the House of Lords to-night. Lord Birkenhead hailed the Premier's indication of policy, and emphasised the very heavy taxation to which Britain had submitted while other nations, including our debtors, had not made comparable demands on their nationals. He pointed out in this connection the chronic unemployment in Britain, while there was no unemployment in France and practically none in Italy. He disapproved the French proposals for securities in connection with the grant of a moratorium.

Lord Grey in a weighty contribution advised a broad policy of remission of debts by Britain in the interest of the economic restoration of Europe. The reparations question was bound up with this. He urged the desirability of again summoning an international commission of bankers, and further pressed the necessity for developing and strengthening the League of Nations.

Disclaiming provocative language, he broadly hinted at a suggestion that Britain would not consider a remission of inter-Allied debts if the unofficial French report was correct to the effect that France did not intend to ratify the Washington Treaty and was likely to spend money on a new type of warships. He proceeded to present a very sympathetic view of French feeling in consequence of the absolute disappearance of the Franco-American treaties guaranteeing France against German aggression, and concluded with an expression of disagreement with the view that the nation was ensured security by occupying foreign territory.

OBSTRUCTION AT LAUSANNE.

Turkish Attitude Defined.

Lausanne, December 13.

Ismet Pasha, replying to Lord Curzon, declared the Turks were ready to allow two hundred thousand Greeks to remain at Constantinople while the Turks, who had to leave Greece under the exchange system, should be adequately compensated for their property.

Turkey was willing to let the Armenians stay in Turkey, but would not consent to any cession of territory as a national home for the Armenians, and would not agree to the establishment of an international commission at Constantinople to supervise the carrying out of the Turkish obligations towards minorities.

Break-Up Coming?

Lausanne, December 13.

Lord Curzon's plain speaking to the Turks this morning at the meeting of the first commission raised the question in some quarters whether it signifies the break-up of the conference. It is believed by well-informed parties, however, that the Turks after reconsideration will adopt a more moderate attitude. Lord Curzon expressed strong dissatisfaction with Ismet Pasha's speech, and declared that if the conference broke down on the question of minorities the Turks would not find support anywhere outside Angora.

ANOTHER CAMBRIDGE VICTORY.

London, December 13.

At the Crystal Palace, in the Association football match, Cambridge beat Oxford by two goals to nil.

There were three thousand people present. The weather was dull. Prior to the start, the headmaster of Winchester unveiled the Corinthian war memorial.

Oxford had the better of matters in the first half but both sides were weak in front of goal. There was no score at the interval. In the second half, Cambridge improved, Sorensen scoring after half an hour. Near the end, Douthwaite added the second goal.

EFFECT OF DUTCH OIL TAX.

The Hague, December 13.

A meeting of directors of the Royal Dutch Company has decided to pay an interim dividend of ten per cent in January. This dividend is smaller than previously, owing to the great uncertainty with regard to taxation in the Dutch Indies.

EXCHANGE SPECULATORS ARRESTED.

Antwerp, December 13.

Four exchange brokers at Antwerp and one at Brussels have been arrested in connection with exchange speculations, to which the fall of the Belgian franc is attributed.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL SIDETRACKED.

Washington, December 13.

Opponents of the Ship Subsidy Bill have succeeded in sidetrack the measure in favour of farm credits legislation, which becomes the immediate order of business.

STERILISING OF SKINS.

London, December 13.

The International Anthrax Committee has passed a resolution in favour of sterilising hides and skins before they are treated industrially.

(Other Telegrams on Page 3.)

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"SUI AN" PIRACY.

Public Enquiry Concluded.

The Sui An Piracy Commission
held its last public sitting yester-
day afternoon, when further evi-
dence was given and addresses
delivered by the parties interest-
ed.An Italian lady, Madame A. C.
Caballero, gave evidence of being
abducted and robbed by a woman
pirate who carried two revolvers.
She was the same woman who
boarded the boat at Hongkong.
On the outward voyage she was
dressed in a skirt and on the re-
turn journey wore trousers. She
was accompanied by a man.Mr. Caballero said the woman
appeared to be one of the leaders
of the pirates. With her was a
well dressed man who possessed a
gold and diamond cigarette case.Inspector Kent was recalled and
questioned with regard to the
woman. He confirmed his previ-
ous evidence and added that the
pirate told him that she returned
the fire and shot her in the shoulder.
It was possible that the woman
may have travelled second class
on the return voyage.Capt. Clarke, formerly Secretary
of the Hongkong, Canton and
Macao Steamboat Company, was
questioned by Mr. C. McL. Messer
regarding a letter written to the
Company by the Colonial Secre-
tary during the time he was in
office, relating to the positions of
the guards. Capt. Clarke empha-
sized that he had always endeav-
oured to carry out the regula-
tions. It would have been more
than his position was worth to
have done otherwise.Mr. J. S. Gill, a passenger, re-
lated his experiences. He saw
between 60 and 70 pirates, of
whom between 20 and 30 were
dressed in European attire. He
saw no woman taking part in the
attack. There was great excite-
ment when the firing started. "I
remember seeing the comrade
between my legs, and I could
hardly move," the witness said.
When the pirates left the ship
they were shouting and scream-
ing they took with them a great
deal of loot—bags, shoes, hand-
bags, money and jewellery.

Regulations Clash.

Mr. W. Russell, Government
Marine Surveyor, spoke to surveys
made of the Sui An. He has
inspected the vessel in July and
passed her for passenger service.
Mr. Lake asked the witness if
he found that the Board of Trade
and piracy regulations clashed.He replied in the affirmative.
Do the piracy prevention regula-
tions prevent you from carrying
out the life saving and fire regula-
tions properly?—Yes.Then you have to compromise
between the two?—If we find any-
thing is impracticable we have to
cut a bit out of one regulation to
conform with the other.In carrying out the regulations
you naturally pay more attention
to those laid down by the Board
of Trade?—The Board of Trade
regulations are far more far-
reaching than the piracy preven-
tion regulations.Would you like to be relieved
of inspection under the piracy
regulations, altogether?—I should
like to, very much.In reply to other questions, Mr.
Russell stated that it was quite
possible to place grills on ships
without interfering with the Board
of Trade regulations. The Sui
An complied with nearly all the
Board of Trade regulations.Sub-Inspector Shannon, who is in
charge of the Indian guards, de-
posed to the practice adopted when
the guards were posted. He said that
one difficulty he experienced was
that the Captains of some of the
ships had piracy regulations of their
own. "If I tell them what thePiracy Ordinance requires, they tell
me what they think is necessary,"
the witness remarked. He thought
that closer co-operation between the
Harbour Office, the shipping people
and the police would be an advan-
tage in framing defensive measures.This completed the evidence and
the Chairman of the Commis-
sion (Mr. J. R. Woods) asked
the solicitors if they wished to say
anything.

The Officers.

Mr. Davidson, on behalf of the
officers of the Sui An, said it was
perfectly obvious that whatever
omissions were made by the Chief
Officer and the Second Engineer in
regard to the carrying of arms could
have had nothing whatever to do
with the piracy. If they had been
armed it would probably have meant
more bloodshed without affecting
the position in the least. It was
also obvious that the omission to
fasten the engine room doors,
assuming that was necessary, which
he contended, it was not, had
nothing whatever to do with the
piracy, since it was clear that the
officers on duty there were com-
pletely commanded from the sky-
light. Further, it was obvious that
the conduct of the officers at the
time of the piracy gave no cause
for complaint. The Chief Officer
and Second Engineer were com-
pletely surprised and overpowered
and could do nothing, whilst the
Chief Engineer made a spirited at-
tempt to get to his post but was
prevented from doing so. Mr.
Davidson asked the Commission to
consider whether the two regula-
tions with which he was more par-
ticularly concerned were not regula-
tions which, by their very nature,
were likely to be overruled more in
the breach than the observance. It
did not seem reasonable to expect a
man to carry a revolver and 25
rounds of ammunition all day long,
summer and winter. The regulation
was bound to relax in time, and
unless piracy became much more
frequent, be abandoned altogether.

The Owners' Case.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, on be-
half of the owners of the Sui An, re-
marked that the regulations threw
on the owners the obligation of
making certain provisions, and these
having been made, the only other
obligation was to assist the master
when called upon. With regard to
equipment it had been shown that
the Company had gone further than
the regulations provided. As to
guards, the number required by the
Ordinance was four and there were
six on the ship. The only regulation
which it appeared to him had not
been observed by the Company was
that relating to cargo, and in re-
spect of that the Captain Superin-
tendent of Police had stated in
evidence that he had authorised the
procedure adopted by the Company.
If there had been any breach of this
regulation, then it had been com-
mitted and authorised by the C.S.P.
Regulation 31 was an important one,
placed the entire charge and re-
sponsibility on the master of the
ship. He suggested that this re-
gulation took the power out of the
hands of the owners and placed it
entirely in hands of the master. He
thought it was asking a very great
deal of the navigating officer that
he should have to perform all these
duties, but having been laid down
there was nothing for it but for the
captain to accept responsibility.

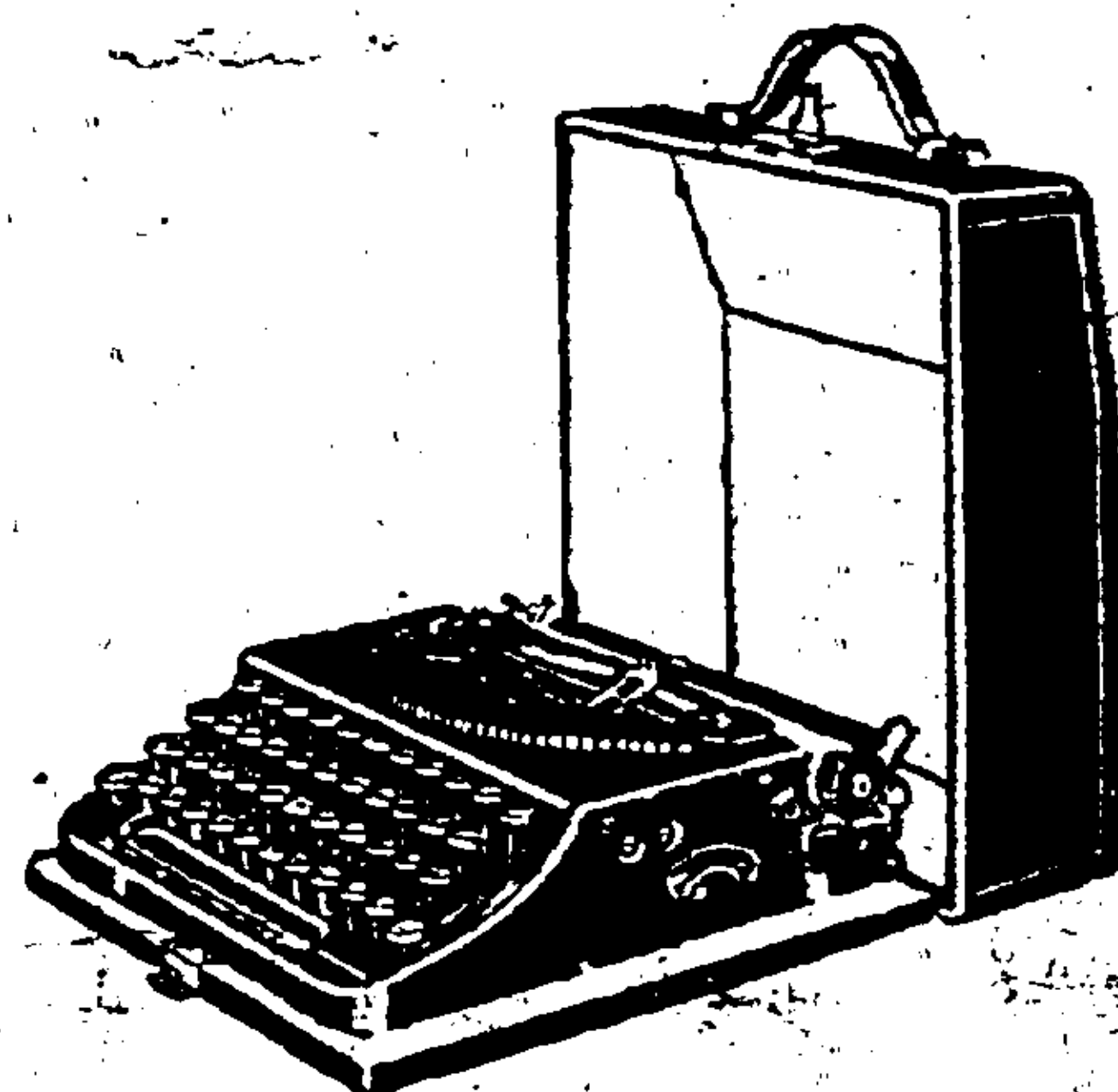
The Crux of the Situation.

Mr. Shenton referred to the
steps taken by the Steamboat
Company to make the masters and
officers of their ships cognisant
of the regulations. In carrying
out these regulations great con-
sideration had to be paid to thepossibilities of fire and shipwreck,
and he contended that had the
grills been closed the Captain and
officers would have been running
very grave risks in the event of
either a fire or shipwreck taking
place. Even had the regulations
been carried out in the minutest
detail, the piracy could not have
been prevented. The piracy was
not due to non-observance of any
regulation, but entirely, in his
opinion, to the lack of search at
Macao. Had a proper search been
made at Macao he suggested that
the piracy would not have taken
place. That he believed to be
the whole crux of the situation.
Mr. Shenton thought it unfor-
tunate that the ship was not
sighted when passing Cheung
Chau and San Mun island. In
conclusion, he urged that there
had been no neglect on the part
of the Steamboat Company in car-
rying out the regulations, in
bringing them to the notice of
officers on their ships or assisting
in carrying them out whenever
any breach of them was brought
to their notice.Mr. F. G. Vaux, representing
Capt. Birss, contended that every-
thing had been done by Capt.
Birss to prevent piracy, consistent
with his duties in saving life and
the careful running of his ship.
He trusted that the Commission
would find that the Captain had
behaved in a seamanlike manner
and had done his best to observe
in every respect the spirit of the
regulations. He pointed out that
to carry out the regulations to the
actual letter had been found to be
impossible by both the Govern-
ment Marine Surveyor and the
Captain Superintendent of Police.The Chairman remarked that the
public sitting of the Commission
was now closed. He would like
to record the thanks of the Com-
mission to all the witnesses who
had come forward voluntarily to
assist them in the enquiry. If any
further public sitting was neces-
sary it would be announced later.

EARLY MORNING FATIGUE.

When you awake in the morn-
ing feeling tired out, feeling
worse, in fact, than when you
went to bed, you are confronted
with one of the characteristic
symptoms of neurasthenia. It is
due to the run-down condition of
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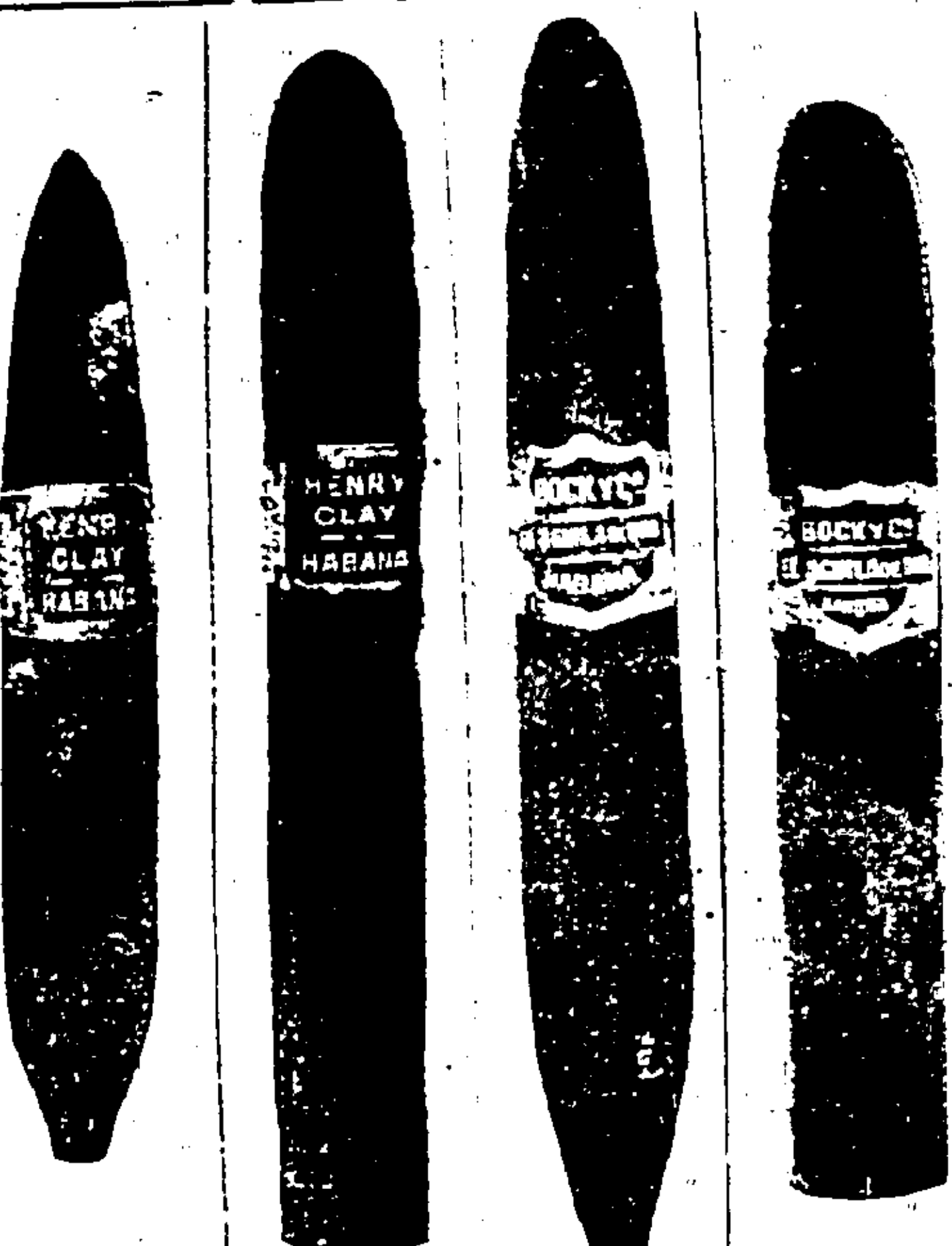
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

EDUCATION OF CHINESE STUDENTS.

London, Dec. 13.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Walter de Frece, Mr. McNeill said that the gist of the report of Sir John Jordan's committee on the education of Chinese students in England was that nothing effective could be accomplished without considerable funds. He added that the only sufficient funds, which might become available, appeared to be the Boxer indemnity. The Committee suggests that they suspend consideration of the question until Government has decided its attitude towards the resumption of indemnity payments. The Government has recently been communicating with other Governments concerned, he said, and hoped to be able to inform the Chinese Government of their decision very shortly.

A RUSSIAN PROTEST.

Lausanne, Dec. 13.

The Russian Delegation has addressed a Note to the President of the Conference, protesting at the procedure of the Allies regarding the discussion regarding the Straits. The Russians complain that the allied scheme has undergone modifications without the previous knowledge of the Russians—notably regarding the demilitarisation of certain zones. The Note emphasises the immovable decision of Russia not to renounce her rights to participate in the solution of an important international question, which directly affects her vital interests.

KYUSHU TREMORS.

Osaka, Dec. 13.—There has been a violent earthquake shock in Kyushu, in which 23 have been killed and 22 injured. Mount Utsun, six miles from Nagasaki is in eruption.

The inhabitants in the earthquake zone, where the shocks are continuing, are fleeing panic-stricken.—Reuter.

EASTERN ITEMS.

Mr. Charles Denby, former American consul-general at Shanghai, now an automobile manufacturer in Washington, D.C., arrived in Shanghai by the T.K.K. s. Tenyo Maru last week. Mr. Denby is a brother of Mr. Edwin Denby, Secretary of the Navy, and son of the Hon. Charles Denby, a former American Minister to China.

Commander Frank Wild, who, after the death of Sir Ernest Shackleton, took command of the Shackleton-Rowett Antarctic Expedition, was married on Oct. 31st, by special licence, at Reading, to Mrs. Granville Altman. While the war was in progress Commander Wild was serving at Vladivostok as a lieutenant in the Royal Naval Reserve, and while carrying out his duties he met Mrs. Altman, whose husband, formerly a planter in Borneo, had died some time previously. The lady was anxious to get out of Russia and away from her dangerous surroundings, and Lieut. Wild was instrumental in obtaining for her a safe passage home. The acquaintance then formed ripened into a close friendship, and had a happy culmination in the Registry Office at Reading.

Viscount E. M. di Villa, former manager of the Far Eastern Bank, which institution was closed by the Italian Consular Court on September 9 because Italian interests were no longer represented, was arrested at Shanghai on December 5th, in his room at the Astor House Hotel by Sub-Inspectors Woodfield and Sale, on a warrant issued by the International Mixed Court. He is charged with being indebted to the Bank for Lire 6,500,000 alleged to have been subscribed by him for 12,500 shares of Lire 500 each, whereas the said capital was never paid by him.—Shanghai Mercury.

FLOGGING MACHINE.

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MONSTER SHARK.

A monster shark was caught off the kampong in Jesselton last week which measured over ten feet long. The Bajau fishermen who caught it said they found most of the missing people, within the last few weeks, inside it! However, we wonder if bathing off the wharf is as safe as it is supposed to be?—B.N.B.H.

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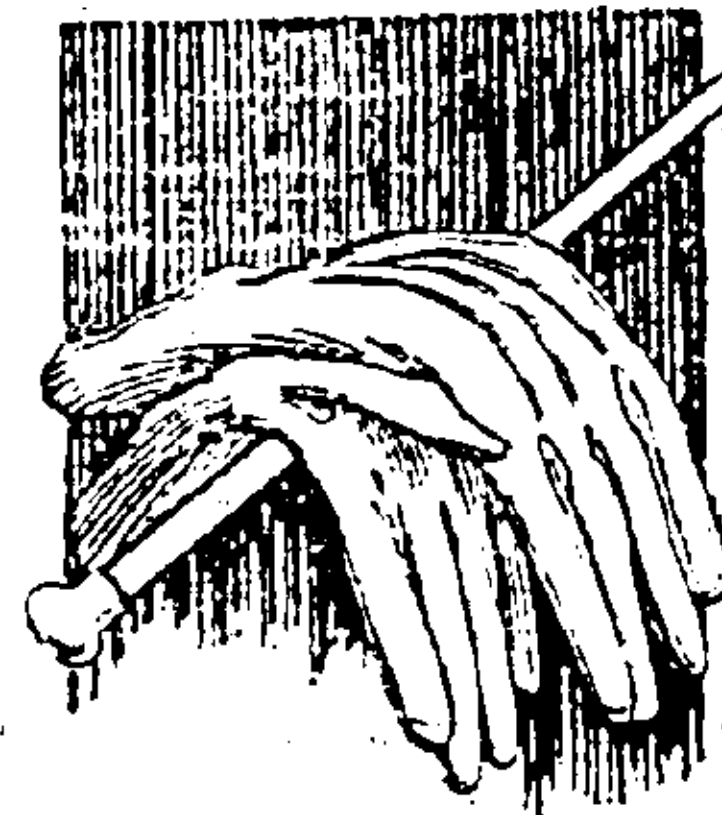
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POLICE COURT PUBLICITY.

Magistrate on New Order.

At Old-street Police Court, London, recently, the Magistrate (Mr. Clarke Hall) referred to the recent order of the Commissioner of Police as to the facilities for reporters seeing charge sheets. He said that until the general body of magistrates had considered the question, he ought not to take any course himself. There seemed to be misapprehension as to the effect and object of the order. It was apparently suggested in some quarters that the effect might be to shield persons of any position tried in a Police Court. Certainly, he thought such a result as that would be wholly bad, and was never intended. He had complete confidence in the discretion of the Press representatives, and had always felt that the reports from that Court had been sent with the greatest discretion.

The only feeling I have in the matter (he continued) is not to protect the rich, but to protect the poor. There are some cases of youths and girls charged with a first offence, and if their full names and addresses were copied from the charge sheets, those not having been given in evidence, it might have the effect of the boy or girl of sixteen or seventeen tried for a first offence being ruined for life. So far as the Press are concerned, I am sure that in such cases they would feel it right that an injury should not be done to such boys or girls. I hope the greatest civility will be given to the members of the Press in the future, but as to the course to be taken I am not at present prepared to say anything.

ABOLISH MARK AND ROUBLE.

M. Loucheur's Proposal.

M. Loucheur makes the bold suggestion that in order to put an end to the state of uncertainty due to the depreciation of European currencies, the German mark and the Russian rouble should be completely abolished. They should be wiped out to make way for new monetary standards. It is hopeless to attempt to save them, and it is better that a fresh start should be made rather than fruitless attempts to bolster up moneys which can no longer be stabilized.

In an interview in Paris with a representative of the *New York Herald*, M. Loucheur elaborated this proposal, and insisted that Germany must be declared bankrupt. "It would have been much better if we had done this a year ago," he said. "But if bankruptcy enables her to start again on a new financial basis, I am persuaded that Germany may be put on her feet in one year, and a new plan for exacting reparation can then be devised." A long moratorium would not, in his opinion, be necessary.

As for Russia, M. Loucheur, while expressing his agreement with M. Herriot, Deputy and Mayor of Lyons, who recently returned from Moscow, that there had been a great transformation in Soviet conceptions, went on to say: "I consider it is absolutely impossible to take up relations with Russia at once, except on condition that a new monetary system on a solid basis be established in Russia. So long as this is delayed, nothing can be done for Russia. In fact, the same might be said of the currencies of nearly every Central European country, all of which are suffering from what I call 'money sickness'."

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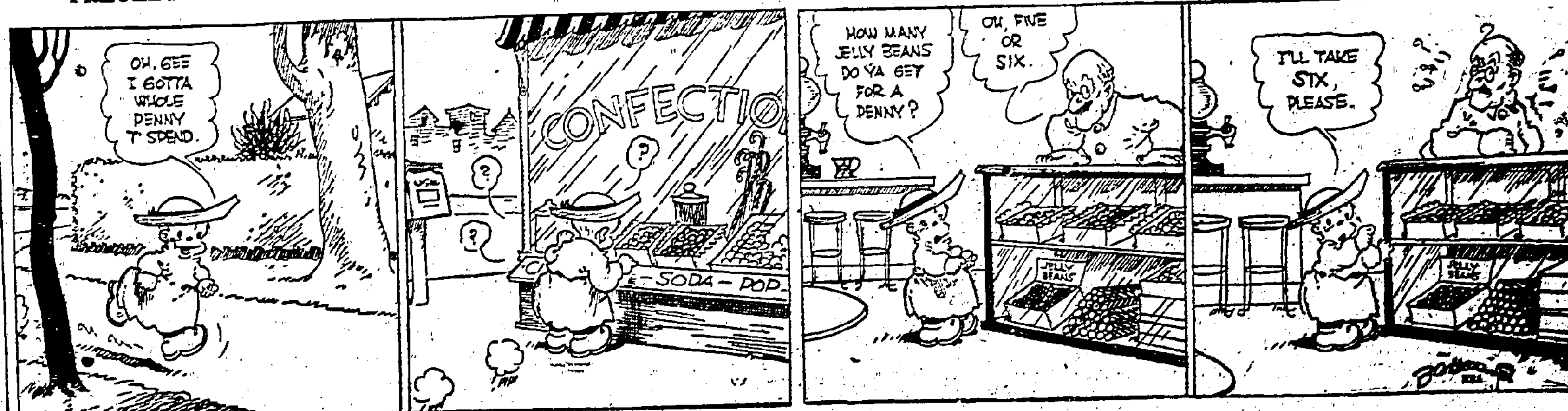
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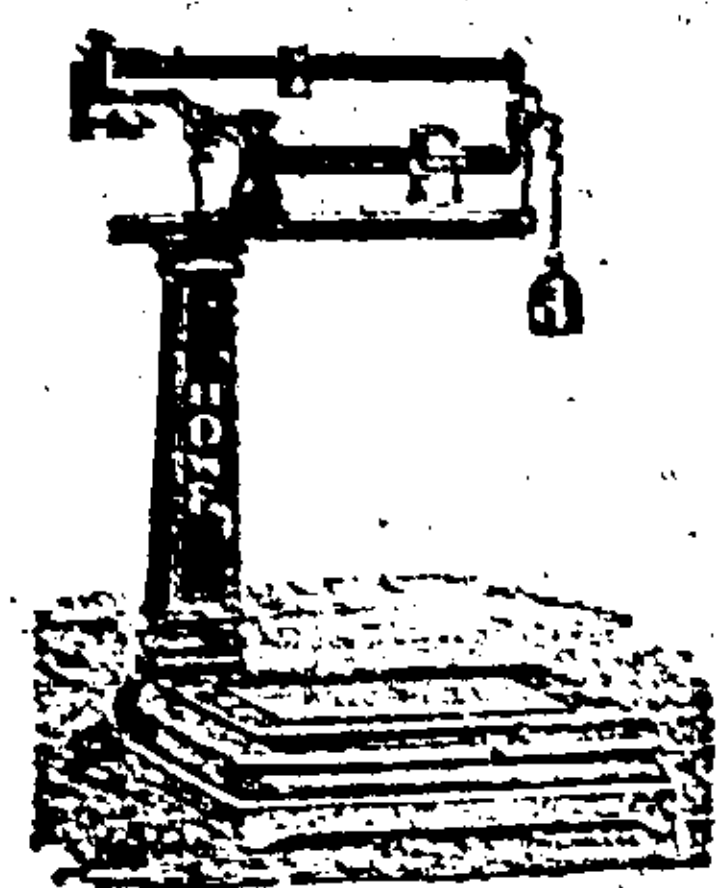
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CHINESE LOANS.

The ordinary man-in-the-street must often wonder, when he reads of the chaos in China, how anybody can have sufficient confidence in the country to lend the Government money. In speaking of the Chinese "Government," too, we believe the average person has little idea what group of men the term really indicates, and how much power they wield, to say nothing of their authority to pledge the credit of China when raising loans. So far as the big consortiums are concerned, there seems little doubt that they have only advanced money to China after obtaining fairly substantial guarantees of repayment. In fact, it was not so very long ago that the different financiers and banking groups of the various participating countries were quite eager to advance money, and were the reverse of cordial towards one section of capitalism which was suspected of being too pushful in the matter of negotiating a Chinese loan. It is hopeless to expect the country's Treasury to meet the needs of the various Ministries, and the Chinese Government has had to get seriously into debt. These foreign loans have as their best security the wonderfully rich, but for the most part unexploited, natural resources of the country. Foreign interests could get the wealth out of these untapped sources of supply, but the officials in China do not favour overmuch "penetration" by outsiders, and the people of the country themselves have repeatedly raised an outcry against what they consider a European, American, and Japanese menace, and for this reason have frequently been opposed to their Government negotiating foreign loans. It is obvious, however, that a time will come when China's financial commitments will oblige her, willy nilly, to accept some form of "exploitation" from outside. She is incapable of developing her own natural wealth so long as she is being dominated by officials who, for the most part, cannot govern, and comprise many men, both in the North and in the South, who are nothing more than parasites. At present the country's prospects

of obtaining anything like a stable Government, despite the recent campaign against the Tsochen system, are very slight. It is inconceivable that a land seething with unrest, debt-ridden, mis-governed, and disunited, can possibly emerge to a system of orderly rule before many more years of travail.

Can China escape virtual national bankruptcy with things going on as at present? Can her taxes be increased any further in order to meet her foreign commitments? Most observers will have little hesitation in giving a negative reply to both these questions. The Chinese Government a while ago defaulted in the payment of interest due on certain loans. The country's commitments, and reckless waste of treasure on suicidal faction fighting, have been on the increase. Now there is a report that the Chinese Ministry of Finance contemplates a large loan to cover all short-term, unsecured ones. Loans upon loans! Borrowing from Peter to pay Paul! What with China's insecure financial position, the threat of Bolshevism in the East, and the stringency in the money market, we feel very sorry for the bondholders concerned.

Our Biggest Industry.

The launching of another China Navigation steamer at Taikoo provides a further reminder of the shipbuilding facilities of this Colony. This, as Mr. Edkins pointed out, is the seventeenth boat which has been constructed at Taikoo for the China Navigation Company, and we have no doubt that she will be found to maintain in every way the fine traditions of this yard and be concrete evidence in the world of shipping to the high standard of work done in Hongkong. We believe, with Mr. Edkins, that there is every reason why this Colony's shipbuilding industry should expand as the years roll on. We have the labour, the skilled direction and some very modern and efficient establishments, whilst the material, though not yet available to any great extent locally, can be secured at a cost which compares more than favourably with many other shipbuilding centres. Much, of course—in fact, everything—depends on labour, and we can only re-echo Mr. Edkins' hope that conditions in this respect will continue to be reasonable. Many a promising industry at home and elsewhere has been killed because of unreasonable labour demands, and it is to be trusted that this lesson will sink well home here in Hongkong, where, in many spheres, labour is decidedly restless at the moment. There is a limit to the concessions which can be made to workers, beyond which it would be dangerous to go, and the overstepping of which by labour would be equivalent to killing the goose that lays the golden eggs. These are days when costs must be kept as reasonably low as possible; otherwise, business is bound to suffer. These and a few more elementary economic facts should be made plain to the workers just now. Unjust or unreasonable demands only react on the masses in the long run.

A Needed Reform.

A case which commanded the attention of one of our magistrates yesterday serves to illustrate the need of a slight reform in the procedure at the Police Court. In England, when cases of obscene language are being dealt with, it is not customary, as it is here, to ask the witnesses to repeat in Court the offensive language which is the subject matter of the charge. Evidence has, of course, to be given of the exact words used, but when it comes to this point, the witness is usually asked to write down the language complained of, and this is then handed to the magistrate and the solicitors concerned in the case. That is a far better arrangement than obtains in Hongkong. In cases where the most obscene language is alleged to have been used, it is most embarrassing to ask witnesses (ladies in particular) to repeat in open Court the offensive words. That was what was done yesterday, and it frequently happens. There is no occasion whatever for such procedure being followed, and we trust that in future the Home practice in this respect will be followed in our Courts.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS BETTER TO HAVE SECOND-CLASS BRAINS THAN SECOND-CLASS CHARACTER.—Lord Robert Cecil.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., have issued their customary desk calendar, which will doubtless be seen in many of the Colony's offices.

The wedding is shortly to take place of Mr. David W. Tratman, of Tai Po and Miss Ruby E. Malory Farmer, matron of the Peak Hospital.

We are informed that there have been no nominations for the vacancy on the Licensing Board, caused by the retirement of Mr. M.S. Northcote.

Starting from yesterday, the troops in Canton are being paid partly in silver. They will get 20 per cent. of their pay in these coins as a beginning.

The Hongkong Hockey Club won the match against the Tamar yesterday by 4 goals to nil, the goals being scored by F. C. Miller (3) and W. Woodward (1).

According to the *Canton Times*, efforts are being made to develop the port of Heungchow, near Macao, those interested in the project including Mr. Tang Shao-yi.

We have received from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire a striking office calendar issued by the Blue Funnel Line, bearing a splendid picture of one of the big Alfred Holt liners.

The *Canton Times* says that the Chinese patient who was arrested at the French Hospital for being in possession of 51 pistols will be shot if convicted of attempting to stir up further rebellion in Canton.

A party of more than 250 leading citizens of Canton and members of the local American community were present at the reception dinner in honour of Dr. and Mrs. Sherwood Eddy and their associates held under the auspices of the Canton Y.M.C.A. at its gymnasium last evening.

To-morrow afternoon (Friday 15th December) the last of Mr. Temple Bervan's Musical Recitals for children will be given at the Helena May Institute, and Miss Jean Lawson will sing. Mr. Bervan regrets that he is unable to arrange the recital which was to have taken place on December 23rd.—*Advt.*

Chefalo and Palermo continue to amuse and mystify the public at the Theatre Royal, their show being of a very high order of its kind. Special attention is drawn to the matinee on Saturday at 5 p.m., when a special programme for the children will be provided at half-price. Parents should make a point of taking their little ones to this function.

A shopkeeper, of 16, Ship Street, has reported to the police that at ten o'clock on Tuesday morning, whilst walking along Kennedy Road, he passed four men sitting on a bench. He had gone about ten yards when they started to run after him. The men soon overtook him. One pressed a dagger against his side and another took \$1.30 from his pocket.

Congratulations to Messrs. Moutrie and Co. for having so effectively and tastefully decorated their store window for Christmas. A child's bed-room is the scene and Father Christmas is shown bending over the bed and depositing a portable Victrola as "the best possible gift." The scene has the merit of being not only well proportioned but particularly striking.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

Slight Damage Done.

Our Canton correspondent reports that the steamboat Kwong Foon, plying between Canton and Wuchow, collided with the s.s. Wuchow at night near Hohou, sustaining slight damage near the bridge.

The extent of the damage done to the Wuchow is unknown.

ROUND THE TOWN.

(By "Gadabout.")

In the days when I began to first make your acquaintance, beloved readers, I used to feel sometimes that Hongkong was a lonely sort of place. Cast your minds back a bit, and most of you probably thought the same thing. After dinner there was nowhere to go and nothing to do. I discovered that most of my pals were in the same unhappy state. Hongkong struck me as being a miserable kind of spot to be exiled in those first few months. It seemed no end of a job to get to know anybody, and when you did get to know a few fellows, you never knew where to find them. Then somebody hit on the brilliant idea of forming Easmas. That woke up a few generous spirits among the old-timers and it wasn't many moons before there was the Easmas Club. I don't grouse now. If I want to meet a few kindred souls I know where to find them. No need to spend any more lonely evenings.

But everybody isn't eligible for Easmas. The war's been over quite a long time now. Fellows are beginning to dribble into the Colony who didn't see active service. They're in the same boat as most of us were before the days of Easmas. Most of 'em soon meet some Easmasite, who takes 'em along to have a wee one at THE CLUB. Most of them want to join. They can't, and so they ask if there are any more clubs like it that they can join. There aren't any more clubs quite like Easmas. Then what are these fellows to do? Every boat that comes in from home swells their ranks. A club the style of Easmas for non-Easmasites is what they want. I believe if one of 'em got busy and went round looking for supporters that he'd find enough to get a start. The club's wanted, and it only needs somebody to set the ball rolling.

There's somebody in the office of the M.O.H. who ought to have an atlas and a geography book put in his stocking this Christmas. Or perhaps he's a bit of a wit. Last week he told us there were two cases of diphtheria (one Chinese and one Scottish) and made Robbie McWhirter's breast swell with pride at the honour unconsciously given to the land which numbers Linkumoddie amongst its cities. This week he carries it a bit further. Scotland's apparently cut itself adrift from the Empire altogether, according to the latest health report. There were six cases of diphtheria during the week ending Dec. 9th. He classifies them thus:—"1 Scottish, 1 British, 4 Chinese." At the rate we're going on we'll soon find that England's a Scottish colony.

There was rather a novel cricket match on yesterday. The clergy have been playing the mediceo. Eleven gentlemen whose mission in life is to heal our bodies have pitted their skill against a similar number whose mission is to heal our souls. But what I would really like to see would be a golf match between the padres and a team of Orient-Seasoned old colonels. But perhaps that would be too great a test of endurance. Reminds me of a drawing which appeared in a Home paper some time ago. Most golfers probably remember it. It was a picture of a clergyman playing the Royal game. He had missed the ball and just broken his driver in the attempt to smite it. The expression on his face can't be described by mere words. Nearest thing to it is the look of an unfortunate who's just been told by his better half that his mother-in-law's decided to run down for a week. Underneath it said: "Tongue Tied." I hope "Step" was watching the proceedings yesterday. He ought to have been sent along in case any reverend batsman managed to hit his own wicket making a swipe at his first ball. The face in those cases is so much more expressive than the murmured exclamations: "Tut-tut!"

A griffin, fresh from a decent-sized town at home, was walking down the street with me the other day, when he happened to glance down at his boots. He ruefully surveyed the dust that had accumulated thereon and then inquired where he could find a bootblack. I believe in a certain hotel there's a coolie who's glad to give anybody a shine. But we were too far away from there, and so his boots had to go dusty. It's such a long time since I was in a town where he

BAKER'S STRIKE.

Is It Spreading?

There was a very general rumour round the city this morning that the strike of bread bakers, pastry cooks and bread delivery coolies is spreading. It was reported in the morning papers that two other bakery staffs, in addition to Messrs. Wiseman and M. Y. San, left work yesterday, the bakeries affected being the Hop Hing and Dyrables. We were able to confirm this today and learned that some other bakery staffs had gone out. It is now said that all the bakeries in the town, with the exception of the Alexandra Cafe and the Victoria Cafe, have lost their men, but owing to the late hour at which we learned of this new development we have not been able to verify it. The Secretary for Chinese Affairs, seen at half-past two this afternoon, said he had nothing fresh to report.

In conversation with Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., who own the Cafe Wiseman, we were informed that the situation so far as their bakery was concerned was just the same. They have been unable to get into contact with their men and the bakery is still being carried on by military and other volunteer help. Some of the other bakeries who have lost their men are also able to continue production by employing other workers. There is no fear of a bread shortage, for even if all the bakers go on strike it will be possible to organise other workers to carry on the essential work of giving the community bread.

At the Central Criminal Court recently John Reynolds, 39, wood turner, was found guilty of incest and was sentenced to five years' penal servitude. Mr. Justice Roche, in summing up, said that in the old days cases of that sort were heard *in camera*. That provision of the law had now been removed—fortunately, in his judgment, because although it resulted in such trials being attended by a gaping multitude whose presence was quite undesirable, that was a lesser evil than having these matters tried in secret without the Press being able to report them (without unnecessary details, of course). He made these remarks because he was satisfied that among a mass of the population, although they knew it was wrong to commit incest, they did not know it was a crime.

Kowloon's coming on. It wasn't long ago they hadn't a movie show. Now they've a couple. But mere picture shows weren't enough for Kowloon. They've got a dance hall, and very jolly little dances they are, too. A cabaret is whispered. They've had vaudeville. Now Suburbia's risen to the height of listening to grand opera, the suburbanites sporting their "glad rags" and turning up in full force. In the realm of sport, Kowloon shows up well, and in jazz they've got every place I've ever been in beaten to a frazzle. You'll hear more alleged music during a stroll round Suburbia in one night than you'll come across anywhere else in a twelvemonth. Yes, Kowloon's going to be a live place one day. Wait till they've got their big hotel and the trams clanging their way up and down the main streets. Sleepy, old Kowloon's coming into its own. There's hope for a place of "glad rags" and grand opera.

FOOTBALL TIPS.

Saturday's Prospects.

(BY "QUIZ.")

The matches for Saturday are as follows:—

Division I.

Hongkong Club v. Titania—Club ground.

Hawkins v. R.G.A.—Navy "B" ground.

King's v. Police.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.

Tamar v. Durban.—Navy "A" ground.

South China v. Kowloon.—South China ground.

Division II.

King's v. Marazion.—Sookunpoo "B" ground.

Ambrose v. South China "A".—Navy "A" ground.

United A.C. v. South China "B".—Club ground.

Kowloon v. University.—Railway ground, Kowloon.

St. Joseph's v. Durban.—St. Joseph's ground.

Police v. Auxiliaries.—Navy "B" ground.

R.G.A. v. Hawkins.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.

All the games were keenly contested last week and the results were mostly correct according to the present form of players.

This week the Club are out against the Titania on the Club ground, and a fast game should be seen. The sailors have made great improvements in their game in the last two matches, probably due to some new men, out by the vindictive. In midweek matches they almost lowered the Hawkins' record, for in the second half of the game they had a lead of two goals, but the flagship drew level before the final whistle. The Club will have to put in a good side if they want to take the points this week. At home the Club should start favourites and, with their share of luck, take the points.

The Hawkins are due to receive the Artillery on Navy "B" ground and with the present form of the military team, the sailors should have an easy win. The R.G.A. in their last two games have been level at the interval, but have shown such a falling off in the latter half that they have been defeated in each match by the margin of four goals. The sailors are showing signs of staleness, for in midweek they were hopelessly beaten by the Ambrose by three goals to one—and that goal was scored by one of the Ambrose players.

The King's are due out against the Police at Sookunpoo this week and, on recent form, a win for the soldiers is certain; yet the unexpected may happen as is often the case in football, and a reversal of form may see the Police get home.

The Tamar and Durban meet on the Navy "A" ground, and a close game should be seen, with the depot ship winning. The Tamar played the King's to a goalless draw in midweek, but the sailors should consider themselves very lucky in sharing the points, as it was easily the King's match. The Tamar had three new men out on trial and they gave a good impression and are being tried out this week in the Hongkong League. The Durban are a good side. They beat the R.G.A. in midweek by five goals to one. They also will have new men out in this match.

On the South China ground, the local team will meet Kowloon and they should reverse the result of the previous match when Kowloon, playing at home, won by a goal to nil. Both teams lost last week. Kowloon going down to the King's, while South China lost by the odd goal in three to the Ambrose. The game should be keenly contested, with the home team winning.

Seven games are down for decision in the Second Division this week, and several keen games should be seen. The Police and the Auxiliaries are due to meet on Navy "B" ground, and one of them must break their record this week, for at present both teams are without a point in the League. On their showing last week against South China "B", the Auxiliaries should win, but the Police have a couple of useful men and should they field a full side at the start may give the "Auxs" a good game and share the points.

The game on the Club ground between the United and the "B" team should be evenly contested,

A.D.C.'s PRODUCTION ON BOXING NIGHT.

Setting and Decoration of "The Tempest."

There are some rigid interpreters of Shakespeare who would insist on having his plays always produced in the Elizabethan manner. They imagine that the height of artistic production for our greatest dramatist is to hang a ticket on a bare stage saying "This is an island," and then set actors to recite the parts. Whilst this is quite a false notion of the Elizabethan stage, it is true that that stage was not so well off for scenery as ours is. The shape of their stage was such that properties naturally took the place of scenery. It may fairly be assumed that if the Elizabethan stage had been in the modern proscenium form and had been fitted with a convenient curtain behind which the stage could at intervals be dressed, the producers would have been as elaborate in their arrangement of scenery as in their conception of costume. There is, therefore, little justification for trying to set back the clock and ask an audience to be interested in an Elizabethan setting, especially as such setting cannot be truthfully effected in a modern theatre, unless such theatre is specially built for the purpose.

Would it then be advisable for a modern producer to avail himself of all the realism of modern stagecraft? Ought the stage to be made to roll in representing the foundering ship; ought the trees to have life-like trunks and leaves designed with pre-Raphaelite precision? Ought the scene to be so clever a contrivance that one might perchance mistake them for real rocks? In the present production, it was thought that such a setting would be as unsuitable as the pseudo-Elizabethan. "The Tempest" is not a realistic modern drama, therefore realistic scenery would be out of place. The island is a place that "never was on sea or land, the consecration and the Poe's dream." The characters do not speak (except the baser sort) in prose, the language of reality, but in poetry, the language of imagination. "The Tempest" is not only poetical, and highly fantastical, but is full of vague allegory and mystic symbolism. Obviously it is the duty of the producer to provide a setting that will suggest all this and be suitable for people to talk poetry in. He must try to express by his scenery something of the motion which the dramatist expressed in his words. Things must seem to suggest more than is immediately apparent. One must be made to feel on looking at the scene, as one feels in reading the play, that there is something more, though one cannot tell quite what, behind all this.

In accordance with the symbolic nature of the play, it has seemed better to arrange conventional allegorical appearances, so that when Prospero, for instance, appears on a certain elevated platform he is considered to be on a point of invisibility. Side platforms are built for this purpose, while right at the back centre of the stage, in those scenes about Prospero's cell, there is built over the cell a high gallery corresponding to the shadow of the old Shakespearean stage just as the front extension of the stage, for the ballet, corresponds to the apron which used to project into the audience.

and, as the South China are at present undefeated, it is not expected that they will go down this week. A low-scoring game should end in the "B" team winning.

At Sookunpoo, an even game between the K.G.A. and Hawkins should be seen. In midweek these teams played a goalless draw, but the sailors will be out to take the points in this match.

The League leaders are also at Sookunpoo against the Marazion and they should strengthen their position at the head of the League. The sailors are a good side and will give the military side a good game.

The game between the Ambrose and the South China "A" team should be keenly contested, and, on present form, should end in a draw.

At Kowloon, the University are due, and, after three weeks' rest, should give the home team a good game and should take the points. St. Joseph's should maintain their unbeaten certificate, against the Durban.

FULL COURT JUDGMENT.

Mr. Nemazee's Appeal Fails.

In the Full Court this morning, judgment was given on the appeal by Mr. H. M. H. Nemazee against an order made by the Chief Justice for the enforcement of an arbitration award. Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston), appeared for the appellant, whilst Mr. Eldon Potter (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared on behalf of the respondents, the Yu Fong Steamship Co. During the hearing of the appeal it was stated that the appellant chartered four ships from the company, and disputes arose which were referred to the arbitration of Mr. Plummer. In January of 1922 an award was made. In April an application to enforce was made and on August 5th, the order was granted for \$48,000. The object of the application which was made against the order of enforcement, was to get the right from Mr. Nemazee to set up a cross-demand for the sum of \$23,500, which sum had already been paid.

Mr. Justice Skinner Turner, who delivered his judgment first, began by stating in brief the cause before the Court. "By a Bond dated December 29th, 1921, the appellant and respondents, referred to arbitration by Mr. J. A. Plummer certain disputes involving claims by the respondents against the appellant amounting to \$109,545.43. By an award, dated January 18th, 1922, the Arbitrator gave the respondents \$48,074.58. On April 13th, 1922, the respondents applied in the usual way by an originating summons for leave to enforce this award, but the appellant resisted the application on the ground that he had a bona-fide cross-demand against the respondents for a larger amount than that awarded and that therefore the summary remedy sought by the respondents was inapplicable and they must be left to their other remedy and bring an action on the award. This is the only point argued before us and on it the appellants must stand or fall."

Having referred to the claim of the respondents, Mr. Justice Skinner Turner went on to say:—"It seems to me to be inequitable (to say the least of it) that the loser in an arbitration should be able to deprive the winner of the fruits of his victory merely by alleging a cross-demand, even though he was unable to put it forward before the Arbitrator, just as it is inequitable (again to say the least of it) that the award is of such a sacrosanct character that it can only be attacked on the ground of its invalidity."

After reviewing a number of cases on the point, His Lordship added:—"I would be extremely unjust to force the respondents to take an action on the award now. The onus is on the appellant to show us some substantial and satisfactory grounds for refusing to give the respondents what they are prima facie entitled to have and in my opinion they have entirely failed to show any, nor indeed has the appeal been argued on those lines. I think the appeal must be dismissed with costs."

The Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz), after reviewing the facts of the case and the law on the subject at issue, said:—"I will content myself by saying that in my opinion the present case is not one in which leave to enforce the award should be refused. The order of the Chief Justice was, therefore, rightly made and the appeal fails—with the usual consequences."

The Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies) said:—"I agree with the conclusion arrived at and only desire to add that on special circumstances being shown there is, in my opinion, a discretion in the Court to exercise, or to refuse to exercise these powers under the Section. In this case there is no special circumstance to justify an order which would have the effect of compelling the successful party to the award to bring an action to enforce it. Mr. Jenkin's concise and persuasive argument cannot avail to that extent."

Judgment was, accordingly, entered with costs.

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Hongkong Champion Badly Beaten.

A large number of tennis enthusiasts gathered at the Chinese Recreation Club grounds yesterday afternoon, to witness the match between Mr. S. Kashio, a noted Japanese player who is on a brief visit to the Colony, and Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, the local champion. Mr. Kashio, who was a reserve member of Japan's Davis Cup team, came with a big reputation, which he thoroughly upheld by defeating the Hongkong champion by two straight love sets.

It was apparent from the start that the Japanese was easily the superior man, and also that Ng Sze-kwong was not in anything like his best form. The visiting player was always the more

aggressive, and both in serving and general play he demonstrated his skill and bore down his opponent by his whirlwind tactics. He is a very forceful player, and one who shines in almost all departments of the game. The local man could do not do anything right against him, and only on two occasions did he reach a score of 40 points, the Japanese winning eventually by 6-0, 6-0.

Later, Mr. Kashio played Mr. M. W. Lo, who was also defeated by two straight sets, although the latter managed to register a game in each.

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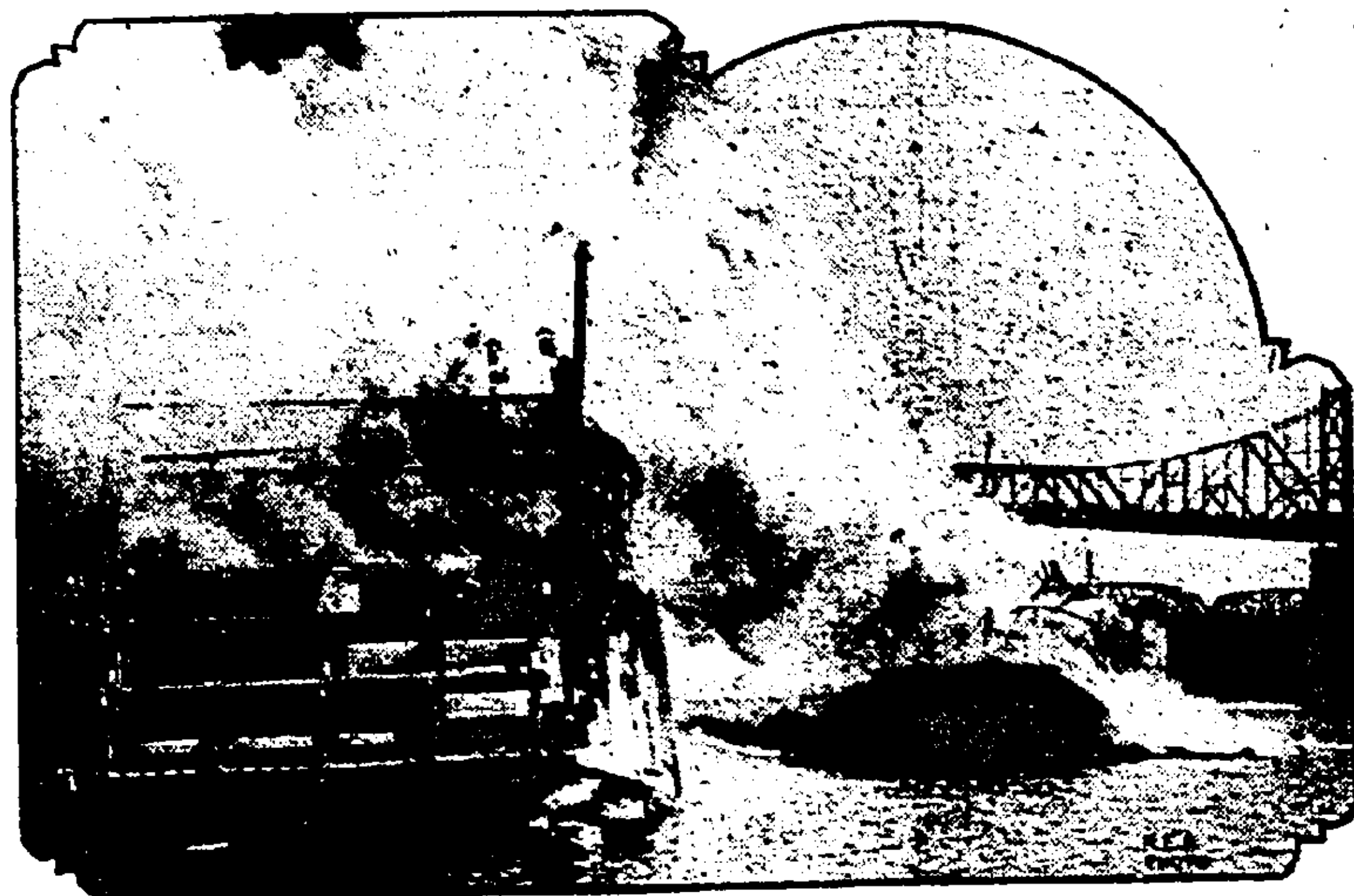
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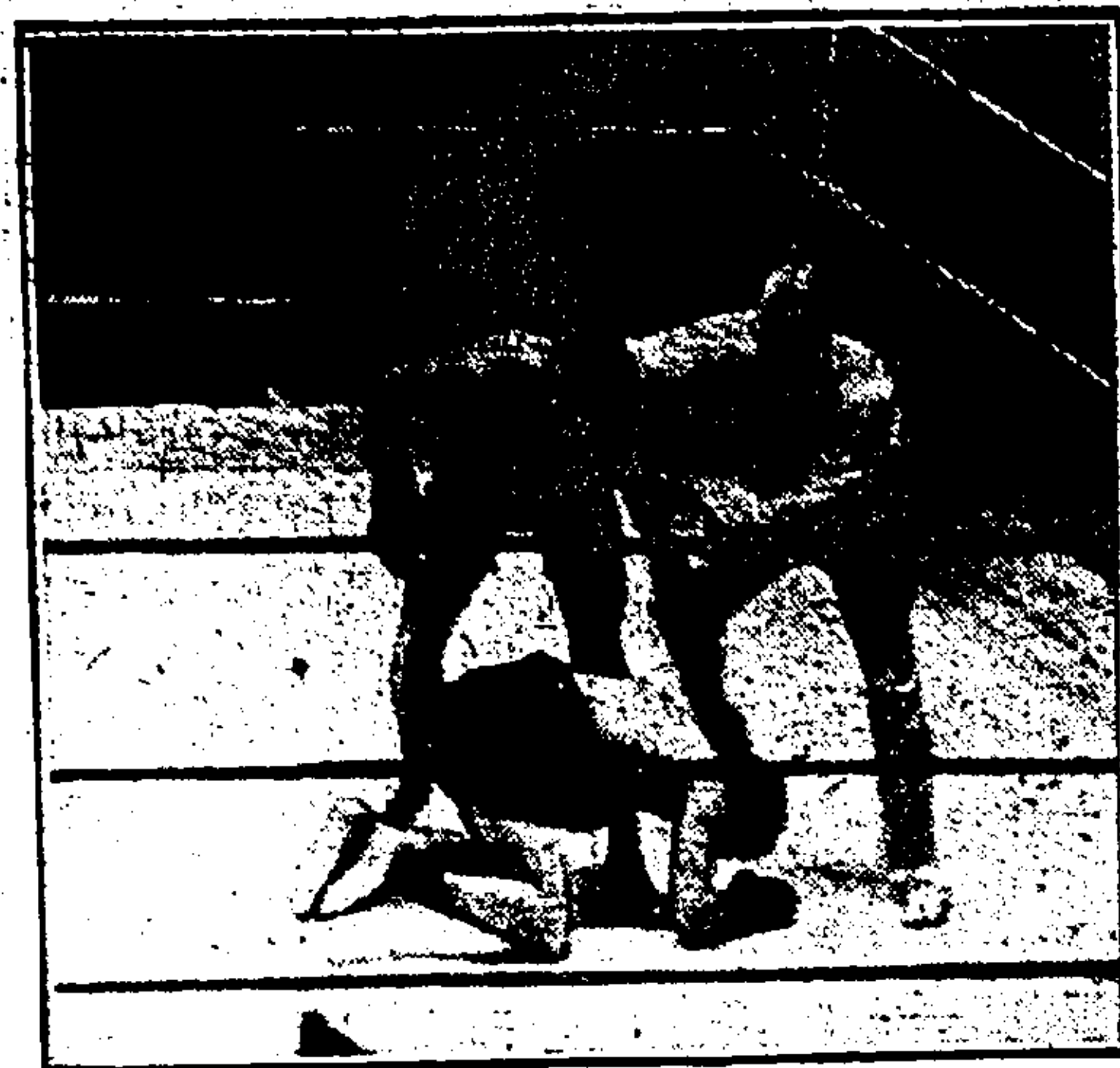
HOLLY PAPERS FOR WRAPPING GIFT PARCELS.

PRICES MODERATE.

CAMERA NEWS.



Four packet steamers and two other Ohio River vessels were destroyed recently in a fire at the Cincinnati public landing. But for the work of other boats in towing the burning hulks out into midstream, the fire would have spread to the docks and destroyed much waterfront property.



The welterweight crown changed hands when Mickey Walker gave Jack Britton a decisive beating in Madison Square Garden. The picture shows the former champion struggling to his feet after receiving one of Walker's left hooks.



Queen Marie of Roumania ladles out soup for the populace at the little town of Alba Iulia, in Transylvania, before the coronation. This ancient custom was revived at the coronation of the King and Queen of Roumania, which took place in a little church there.



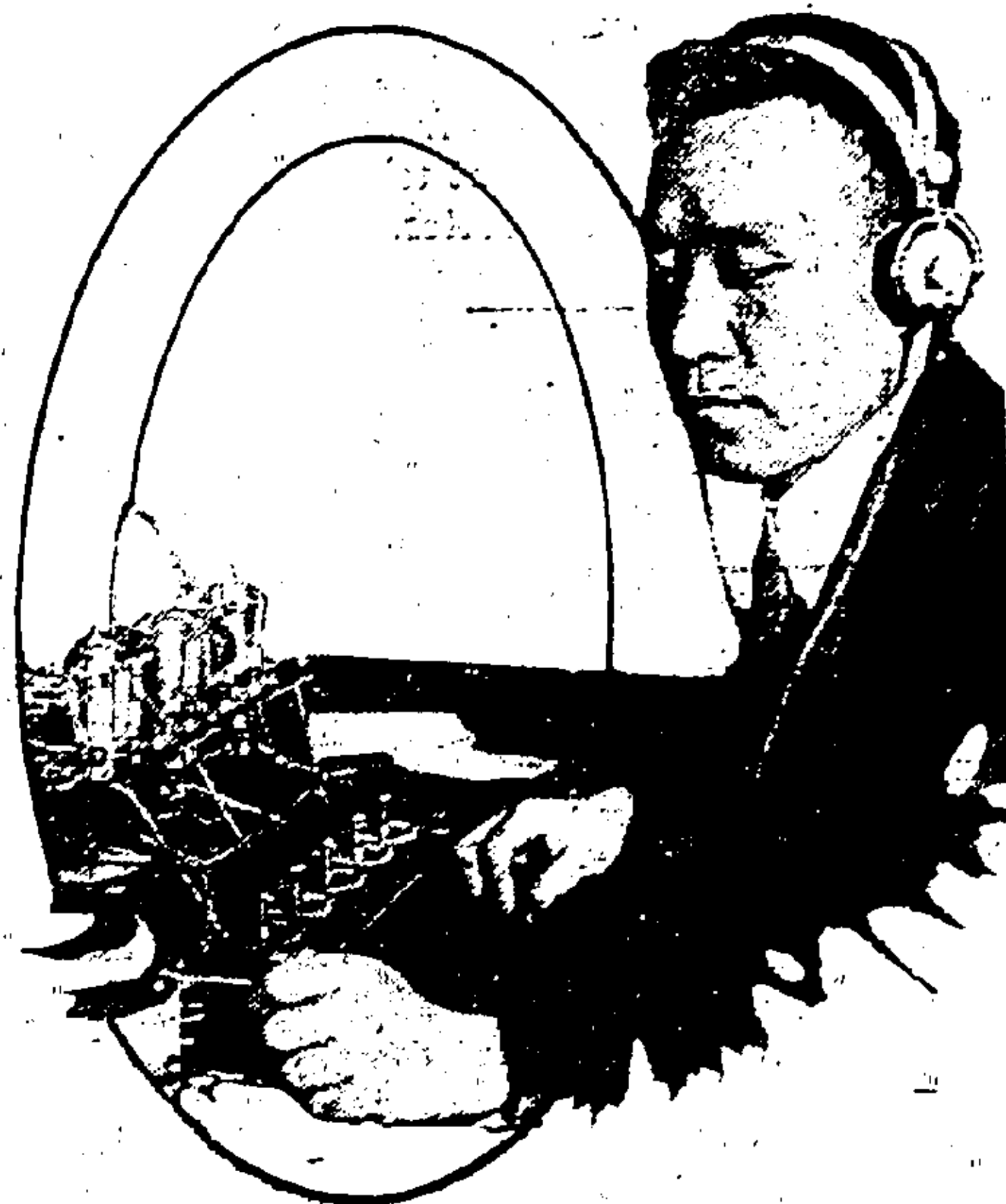
"Metal Mike" is the name given to the automatic steering gear of the steamship Marengo. This mechanical device keeps the ship on its course.



The latest German sport is horseback boxing. Picture shows a bout in progress.



Mr. John Wanamaker, whose death was reported yesterday.



Our picture shows Mr. W. Y. Wu, who is taking a complete course in radio at Columbia University. He is here at work on a new radio-frequency circuit.



Floyd Johnson, a new American heavyweight.



Clad in the black-shirts of the Fascisti, women have flocked to the support of Signor Mussolini's government. The picture shows one of the first meetings of the women's auxiliary.

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TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Stock Exchange. Sharebrokers' Association.			
Banks.			
H.K. & S. Bank	b. 955 sa. 955 7/8	b.	960
Bank of E. Asia	n. 104 1/4	s.	105
Marine Insurances.			
Cantons	b. 470	b.	472
North China	n. 1138	n.	1140
Union	b. 218 sa. 220	b.	218
Anglo	b. 25	b.	25 1/2
Fire Insurances.			
China Fire	b. 116	b.	117
H.K. Fire	b. 43 1/2	b.	43 1/2
Shipping.			
Douglas	b. 28 1/2 sa. 29 1/2	b.	29
Indos	b. 35 1/2	b.	35
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	n. 245	n.	245
Indo Def. H.K. Reg.	n. 245	n.	245
Shells	b. 82 1/2	b.	82 1/2
Ferries	b. 40	b.	40
Refineries.			
Sugars	n. 152	n.	152
Malabares	b. 55	b.	54
Mining.			
Kailash	n. 60 1/2	n.	64 1/2
Langkai	n. 17 1/2	b.	17
Shanghai Loans	n. 61 1/2	n.	6
Thai Exploration	b. 23 1/2	b.	23 1/2
Ural Caspian	b. 11 1/2	b.	11 1/2
Sauget Con	b. P. 2.10	b.	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. Wharves	b. 170 s. 171	b.	170
Docks	b. 182 s. 184	b.	183 s. 184
Thai Docks	b. 99 sa. 99/100	b.	99 sa. 99/100/100
Engineers	n. 8.60	n.	8 1/2
Thai Hongkows	n. 183	n.	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.			
Centra	b. 218	b.	218
H.K. Hotels Old	s. 28	Old n.	27 1/2
H.K. Hotels New	s. 23	New n.	23
H.K. Lands	s. 260	s.	262
Empire East	sa. 17.60/17 1/2	sa.	17 1/2
London Lands	b. 85	b.	86
Reclamations	b. 210	b.	212
Cotton Mills.			
Swes	s. 13 1/4 sa. 13	b.	13
Oriental	n. 9 1/4	b.	9
Thai Cottons	n. 125	b.	120
Miscellaneous.			
Cements	n. 20 1/4	b. 20 1/4 sa. 20.80/90	
China Light old	b. sa. 14 1/2	sa.	14 1/2
China Light new	sa. 25	b. 24.80 sa. 25	
China Provident	b. 23 s. 23 1/2	Old n. 23 1/2	
Dairy Farms	n. 37	n.	37
Electric H.K.	b. 39 sa. 38 1/2/39	b. 38 1/2 sa. 38 1/2/39	
Electric Macao	b. 17 1/4 sa. 18	b. 17.50 s. 18 sa. 17 1/2	
Hongkong Ropes	b. 10 1/4	b.	10 1/4
H.K. Tramways	b. 1	b.	1 1/4
Peak Trams, old	b. 1	b.	1 1/4
Do, new	b. 1	b.	1 1/4
Steam Laundries	n. 12 1/4	s.	12 1/4
Steel Foundries	n. 17	s.	18
Water-boat	b. 13 1/4	b.	13
Watsons	b. 18	b.	18
Wm. Fowells	b. 18	b.	18
Wisemans	b. 22	b.	22
Crawfords	b. 8 1/2	b.	8 1/2
Canton Ices	b. 8 1/2	b.	8 1/2
Nanyang Tob.	b. 11 1/2	n.	11 1/2
Sinceres	b. 4.35	n.	
H.K. Constructions	b. 4.35	n.	

Hongkong, December 14, 1922.

SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Haitan	Man Wing	Hainan via Hainan	C 46
Yokohama	B & S	Canton	C 34
Yokohama	B & S	Melbourne via Manila	Kow. Wh.
Yokohama	B & S	Canton	Co's Wh.
Yokohama	B & S	Kobe via Swatow	C 49
Yokohama	B & S	Shanghai via Swatow	Co's Wh.
Yokohama	B & S	Shanghai	B 12
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan via Pakhoi	C 20
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	B 22
Yokohama	B & S	New York via Shanghai	A 6
Yokohama	B & S	Port Arthur via Nagasaki	B 12
Yokohama	B & S	Bangkok	R 20
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan via K. C. Wan	C 43
Yokohama	B & S	Dairen via Weihaiwei	C 39
Yokohama	B & S	Kobe	B 53

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Chip Shing	M & Co.	Hainan	14th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	14th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	14th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	14th Dec.
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Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	14th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	14th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Hainan	14th Dec.

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Yokohama	B & S	Manila	15th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Manila	15th Dec.
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Yokohama	B & S	Manila	15th Dec.
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Yokohama	B & S	Manila	15th Dec.
Yokohama	B & S	Manila	15th Dec.

Impending Arrivals.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Tamba M.	N.Y.K.	Singapore	15th Dec.
E. of Australia	C.P. & Co.	Shanghai	15th Dec.
Taipei	B & S	Manila	15th Dec.
President Tait	A.D. Line	San Francisco	15th Dec.
City of York	Bank Line	Suez	21st Dec.
Belmond	G.L. & Co.	Singapore	21st Dec.
Keemond	B & S	Liverpool	22nd Dec.

Consignees Diary.

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Vessel	Agent	Goods Stored	Free Storage Expires	Claims to be in by	Examination Date
Shangri	T.K.K.	1000	Nov 22	Dec. 5	Nov 22
Shangri	T.K.K.	1000	Dec. 15	Dec. 23	Dec. 15
Taipei	T.K.K.	1000	Dec. 15	Dec. 23	Dec. 15
Margaret D.	P.D. Co.	1000	Dec. 15	Dec. 23	Dec. 15
Sierra Leone	C.B. & Co.	1000	Dec. 15	Dec. 23	Dec. 15
P. Jackson	A.L. Co.	1000	Dec. 15	Dec. 23	Dec. 15
Andre Lebon	M.M.	1000	Dec. 15	Dec. 23	Dec. 15

Steamers' Movements.

Expresses left Port Said 8th inst. for London, Amsterdam and Antwerp. Expresses left Port Said 10th inst. for London, Rotterdam and Antwerp. Expresses of Asia arrived at Kobe on the 15th Dec. left Kobe on the 16th Dec. and is due at Nagasaki on the 15th Dec.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan	Tokyo M.	14th Dec.
Shanghai	Shanghai M.	14th Dec.
Strait	Tamba M.	14th Dec.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Empress of Australia	14th Dec.
Shanghai	Changshing	14th Dec.
U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	President Jefferson	14th Dec.
Parcels mail only, London 8th Nov.	Sardinia	14th Dec.
Strait	Moji M.	14th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Hainan, Pakhoi & Hainan	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Hainan & Hainan	Leeang	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Hainan & Hainan	Hainan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hainan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Philippine Is.	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Shanghai	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Bangkok	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Hainan & Bangkok	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Hainan, Pakhoi & Hainan	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Sundakan	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Shanghai	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Port Bayard, Hainan & Hainan	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Kowloon	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Hainan & Bangkok	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Shanghai	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Swatow	Yunnan	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
Philippine Is., Australia & New Zealand	Tamba M.	Tues. 19 inst.
via Thursday Islands	Tamba M.	Registration 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow ... Hainan ...
 Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L.
 Marques, South Africa, India via
 Dharmasthodi, Egypt & Europe via
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 Letters 20th 9 a.m.
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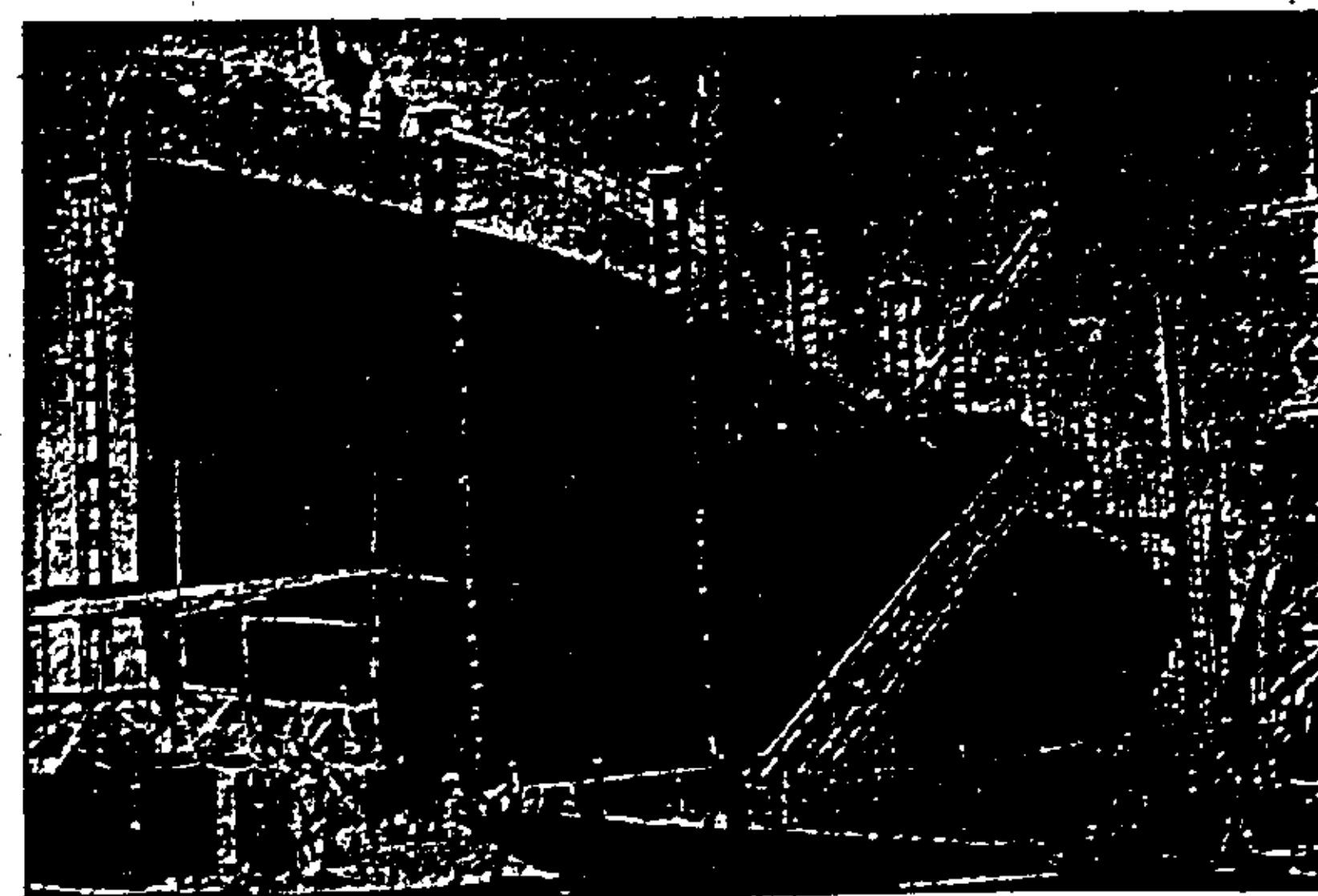
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MANILA	Vuensang	Fri. 15th Dec. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Sat. 16th Dec. at noon.
TTAO via S'ow & S'hai Wingsang	Sun.	17th Dec. at 9 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow Kwaihsang	Sun.	17th Dec. at 10 a.m.
TTAO via S'ow N'po, S'hai Kwongsang	Tues.	19th Dec. at 9 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Tues. 19th Dec. at 3 p.m.
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SHANGHAI & PUKOW	Luchow	17th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & NINGAPORE	Kwelyang	17th Dec. at 10 a.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	Linan	17th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Liangchow	19th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kingyuan	19th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SWATOW & AMOY	Kaying	19th Dec. at 10 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	Soochow	21st Dec. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Szechuen	23rd Dec. at d'light.
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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 22nd inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 15th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LD. Agents.

Hongkong, 8th. Dec., 1922.

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Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

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All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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The Steamship "PRESIDENT JACKSON"

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All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 18th. Dec. by the Company's Surveyor's Messrs. Anderson & Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 19th. Dec., will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE INC.

United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, Managing Agents.

THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE INC.
4, Des Voeux Road, Central Hongkong, 12th. Dec. 1922.

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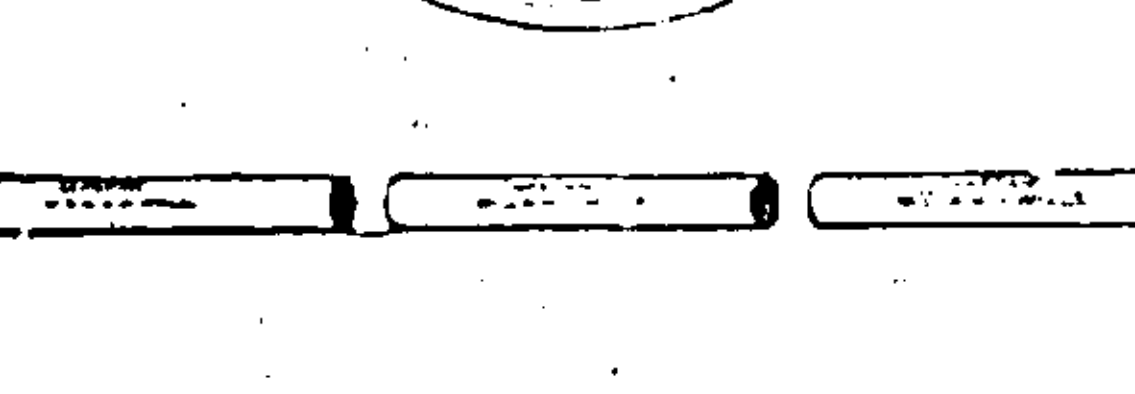
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At an extraordinary general meeting of the China Light and Power Company (1918) Ltd., held at the offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company this morning, resolutions were adopted increasing the capital of the Company from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. It will be remembered that at a meeting held on November 25th, a proposal to issue a further \$1,000,000 worth of shares at a premium of \$5 each was opposed by a number of shareholders and a poll of all shareholders demanded. This morning's proposal to issue a further 200,000 shares at the nominal value of \$5 each was the result of an agreement being arrived at between the Consulting Committee and the objecting shareholders.

Mr. R. G. Shewan presided and there were also present Mr. H. P. White (Consulting Committee), Mr. Poon I-cho (Secretary) and Messrs. J. M. Alves, A. A. Cordeiro, A. S. Ellis, C. A. da Roza, F. J. Tavares, A. A. Botelho, J. Toppin, H. H. Taylor, F. M. Ellis, A. V. Apcar and A. A. Guterres (shareholders).

The Secretary first read the notice convening the meeting, which set out in detail the proposal to raise a further million dollars capital by issuing 200,000 additional shares of \$5 each.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—At an extraordinary general meeting held on 25th November the proposal to issue new capital in shares of \$5 each at a premium of \$5 was, as you know, opposed and a poll was demanded. Since then, an understanding has been come to with the dissentient shareholders, the demand for a poll has been withdrawn and a new method for calling up further capital has been agreed upon which is fully

set forth in the resolution now before you. We still think that the original scheme was the best in the interests of the Company, but we appreciate the arguments against it, and, in any case, must bow to the wishes of the majority.

The two resolutions contained in the notice of meeting were unanimously on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded in the first case by Mr. Roza and in the second by Mr. Alves.

The Olive Branch.

After the resolutions had been adopted, the Chairman said:—"Before you go, I have very much pleasure in inviting Mr. da Roza to join the Consulting Committee of this Company. I do so with the full approval of the Consulting Committee, who will welcome Mr. Roza's assistance, by reason of his training and general abilities. I hope, Mr. Roza, you will see your way to accept the invitation."

Mr. Alves, in supporting, said he thought they would all appreciate the action of the Consulting Committee. He congratulated the Committee on its selection, for he knew Mr. Roza would give them fully of his worth. He was a very worthy man in every way.

Mr. Roza indicated his acceptance, the Chairman saying he was very much obliged. "We have done this, gentlemen, because we wish to show that we have only the best welfare of the Company at heart. Mr. Roza is a man of ideas and we shall welcome an expression of those ideas and suggestions. We have invited Mr. Roza to show that we are not antagonistic at all and that we shall welcome any assistance we can obtain from the shareholders, because we know that shareholders are greatly interested in the Company and are sometimes the best judges of what is best to their own interests."

Mr. Roza:—I thank you very much, Sir.

This ended the meeting.

STOLEN SOCKS.

An Indian Sentenced.

An unemployed Indian watchman appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Magistracy this morning, charged with stealing six pairs of socks from a street hawker in Yaumatei.

The hawker told the Court that at two o'clock yesterday afternoon he was squatting on the side of the road with his basket, when defendant came up and looked at his goods. A schoolboy also came along. He wanted to buy some socks. The hawker handed him a pair to inspect, and defendant, taking advantage of the opportunity, grabbed a bundle and ran away. The hawker gave chase and caught the Indian a few shops away. Three pairs of socks, which defendant had in his hand, he threw away during the pursuit. He had three more pairs in his trousers' pocket.

The Indian's story was that he went to the stall to buy a pair of socks. The hawker asked 20 cents. Defendant offered 15 cents, but when the schoolboy offered 12 cents he reduced his offer to the same amount. The hawker refused to sell for 12 cents and wanted 15. Defendant put the socks back into the basket and declined to purchase. That was why the hawker had brought the charge against him.

The Magistrate believed the hawker's story and sentenced the Indian to three weeks' imprisonment.

SALES OF CHURCH PATRONAGES ILLEGAL.

Proposals for the abolition of the sale of Church patronages have been framed by the Patronage Committee, of which the Dean of Westminster is chairman. It is proposed to make the sale of a patronage of a benefice illegal after two vacancies subsequent to the passing of the measure and to forbid the presentation of a clergyman to a benefice if he, or someone on his behalf, has, after the passing of the measure, become the patron.

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A CURIOUS INCIDENT.

The palatial homes of some of the richest citizens of Chicago at Lake Forest were bombed on October 26 during gun practice at Fort Sheridan. The incident has caused much comment in Army circles as well as among the public.

Investigation was begun the next day to ascertain whether the officer in charge, a second lieutenant, of the practising party, committed an intentional crime or was guilty only of an inexcusable blunder. The target was situated on the wide expanse of Lake Michigan, from which shipping was barred, but shells were fired in entirely different directions. General Moseley, in charge of the fort, refused to divulge the name of the officer responsible for the bombardment until the investigation was finished. He said that he was unable even to guess why the officer trained the gun on the north shore estates.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

TIME TABLE.

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